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TO ALL EAST ASIAN AND PACIFIC DIPLOMATIC POSTS

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SUBJECT: APRIL 6 EA PRESS SUMMARY

1. INDOCHINA/THAILAND

LAOS' CHIEF DIPLOMAT IN THAILAND HAS BECOME 7TH SENIOR
LAOTIAN ENVOY TO BANGKOK TO DEFECT SINCE PL TOOK CONTROL
(WP).

SON OF ALBANIA'S LAST KING ARRESTED IN BANGKOK FOR
POSSESSION ARMS CACHE. CLAIMS HAS BEGUN GUERRILLA WAR TO
OVERTHROW ALBANIAN COMMUNISTS; USUAL RESIDENCE IS SPAIN
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(AP, LAT 4/3).

2. PHILIPPINES

EXPERT AT MICH TRIAL 2 FIL NURSES SAYS KILLER COULD HAVE
POISONED PATIENTS W/O BEING NEAR THEM. TESTIMONY CONTRA-
DICTS PROSECUTION ASSERTIONS THAT MURDERER WOULD HAVE TO
BE NEAR VICTIMS (NYT SPEC).

3. SINGAPORE

GOVT RENEWS EFFORTS EXTRADITE LONDON FINANCIER SLATER ON CONSPIRACY CHARGES RELATING TO MISUSE FUNDS (WSJ).

4. INDONESIA

ONE OF BIGGEST NICKEL MINES IN NON-COMMUNIST WORLD OPENS IN S SULAWESI (REUTER, CHITRIB).

ALL 26 ABOARD INTERNAL LINE PLANE MISSING FOR WK ON SULAWESI REPORTED SAFE. AIRCRAFT CRASH-LANDED IN JUNGLE (WP; UPI JAKARTA).

5. AUSTRALIA

USSR SHIPPING LINE MAY BE READY START SERVICE BETW EUR/AUSTRALIA ON RAIL-SEA CONNECTION VIS TRANS-SIBERIAN RR (BARNARD, JOC).

6. PACIFIC ISLANDS

FIJI'S 2 MAIN POL PARTIES AGREE TRY FORM JOINT CARETAKER GOVT PENDING NEW ELECTIONS TO BREAK LAST WKEND'S DEAD-LOCKED GENL ELECTION RESULT (REUTER SUVA).

7. JAPAN

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SUN'S SEIDEN (TOKYO) NOTES CHIEF CABINET SEC SONODA FINALLY LEFT FOR MOSCOW 4/5, AFTER 5-DAY DELAY. SONODA CONCEDED HIS VISA DELAY "NOT MERELY PROCEDURAL," BUT GOJ CAREFUL NOT PUBLICLY EXPRESS ANGER AT SOVIET TACTIC, FEARING FISHERY TALKS MAY BE FURTHER JEOPARDIZED.

NINE OF JAPAN'S MAJOR RAILWAY UNIONS WILL LAUNCH 48-HR NATIONWIDE WALKOUT 4/16 TO PRESS WAGE INCREASE DEMANDS. ACTION PLACES JAPAN'S SPRING LABOR CAMPAIGN IN CRUCIAL STAGE, AS MANY OTHER KEY UNIONS EXPECTED ANNOUNCE SIMILAR STRIKES OVER NEXT FEW DAYS (CULLISON, JOC).

HEAVY SPECULATION ON TOKYO FOREX MART 4/5 BRINGS YEN TO HIGHEST LEVEL AGAINST DOLLAR IN 4 YRS/CAUSES BANK OF JAPAN BUY 100 MIL DOLS IN SUPPORT US DOL (WP). TOKYO BANKING SOURCES PREDICT YEN APPRECIATION BOUND CONTINUE DUE FACT INFLATION DIFFERENTIALS STRONGLY IN FAVOR JAPAN/NATION'S CURRENT ACCOUNT SURPLUS BUILDING UP STEADILY (WELS, JOC).

BANK OF JAPAN TELLS VISITING IMF MANAGING DIRECTOR WITTEVEEN THAT TOKYO WILL CONTINUE ALLOW YEN FLOAT FREELY AGAINST US DOL. BANK GOV MORINAGA ALSO PROMISED GOJ WOULD STRIVE "EXTREMELY HARD" ATTAIN 6.7 PCT REAL ECON

GROWTH RATE FY'77 (CULLISON).

BUSINESS TYCOON KENJI OSANO TO GO ON TRIAL 7/21 ON
PERJURY CHARGE RELATED TO LOCKHEED SCANDAL (UPI, LAT
4/3).

BACKLOG EXPORT SHIP ORDERS AT JAPANESE YARDS HAS SAGGED
BY NEARLY 10 MIL GROSS TONS IN LAST 11 MOS. JAPAN
SHIP EXPORTERS ASSN OFFICIALS SAY PRESENT BACKLOG INCLUDES
3 MIL GROSS TONS TANKER ORDERS THAT MAY BE CANCELLED
(UPI, BALT NA).

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GENRL ELECTRIC/HITACHI ANNOUNCE AGREEMENT FOR JOINT
VENTURE, HIGH VOLTAGE BREAKERS INC, IN PHILA. FIRM
CAPITALIZED ON 50-50 BASIS, WILL MARKET IN US (NYT;
UPI, JOC).

ASST TREAS SEC FOR INTL AFFAIRS BERGSTEN SAYS FRG/JAPAN/
OTHERS RUNNING SUBSTANTIAL SURPLUSES IN INTL TRANSACTIONS,
ADDING MUCH AS 12 BIL DOLS TO FINANCIAL BURDEN OTHER
NATIONS ALREADY HURT BY HIGH OIL PRICES (AP, PHINQ).

SUN'S SEIDEN ENJOYS TOKYO SPRING WEEKEND, INCL WESTERN-
STYLE WEDDING/CHERRY BLOSSOM CELEBRATION/KABUKI DRAMA.

8. KOREA

KCNA SAYS NK THREATENED BY DROUGHT SIMILAR TO ONE IN
PRC; ADDS "ENTIRE PEOPLE" BEING MOBILIZED FIGHT IT.
KIM CALLED MTG CENTRAL CMTE KOREAN WORKERS PARTY MONDAY
TO DISCUSSS PROBLEM. DROUGHT CATCHES COUNTRY AT START
SPRING PLANTING SEASON, THO KCNA ANNOUNCEMENT GAVE
NO DETAILS AS TO HOW MUCH ADVERSE WEATHER AFFECTED
ECONOMY (UPI'S CRABBE, TOKYO).

SK INVESTIGATING ALLEGATIONS THAT 104 KOREAN BABIES
ILLEGALLY SENT OKINAWA FOR ADOPTION BY US SOLDIERS.
HEALTH-SOCIAL AFFIARS MINISTRY SAYS 2 PVT COS NEAR
US ARMY BASE NEAR SEOUL PROCESSED ADOPTIONS BY ALLEGEDLY
FORGING DOCUMENTS (UPI).

FINANCE MINISTRY SAYS SK HAD 385 MIL DOLS SURPLUS IN
CURRENT ACCOUNT DURING 1ST QTR '77, MARKING 1ST SURPLUS
IN 4 YRS. FOREX HOLDINGS HIT ALLTIME HIGH 3.29 BIL
DOLS, UP 248 MIL OVER '76 (UPI, JOC).

CALIF SUPERIOR COURT RULES MOON CHURCH OFFICIALS CANNOT
BE FORCED BRING 20-YR-OLD WOMAN TO HEARING ON WHETHER
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SHE SHOULD BE PLACED IN PARENTS' TEMPORARY CUSTODY.
JUDGE SAID INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE PROVE OREGON GIRL
IN CUSTODY MOON'S W COAST CHIEF (AP, NYT).

WP CARRIES FULL-PG AD, SPONSORED BY KCNA, ON KIM IL
SUNG'S RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS RAISED BY "MANICHI SHIMBUN"
JOURNALISTS 9/17/72.

9. CHINA

UAW PRESIDENT LEONARD WOODCOCK IS HIGH ON LIST OF 10 UNDER
SERIOUS CONSIDERATION FOR PEKING POST, ACCORDING CHARLES
MOHR (NYT). MOHR SAYS WOODCOCK SELECTION COULD BE ONE OF
SEVERAL SIGNALS ADMIN HOPES MOVE TOWARD BROADER/MORE NOR-
MAL RELS WITH PRC. SAYS OTHERS SEE SIGNIFICANCE IN FACT
NSC'S CHINA EXPERT OKSENBERG AND PRES' SON CHIP WILL
ACCOMPANY CODEL TO CHINA. WH SAID SENDING SON WITH DEL
"A GESTURE ON THE PART OF THE PRESIDENT INDICATING THE
IMPORTANCE HE PLACES ON RELATIONS WITH CHINA." MOHR ADDS
OKSENBERG'S PREDECESSORS OFTEN TRAVELLED TO PRC SO
SIGNIFICANCE HIS VISIT UNCLEAR. NOTES DOS' ROY ALSO
GOING. RECENT SOV REBUFF TO SALT PROPOSALS OFFER PLAUSIBLE
INCENTIVE US SPEED UP EFFORTS NORMALIZE RELS WITH PRC.
SERIOUS NEGOTIATIONS UNLIKELY DURING TRIP BUT OKSENBERG/ROY
CAN ASSESS ATMOSPHERE. REUTER NY ALSO CARRIES BRIEF REPORT
ON NYT STORY, ADDS UNKNOWN WHEN FINAL DECISION ON NEW ENVOY
TO PRC WILL BE MADE.

WP/NYDN ALSO NOTE CHIP CARTER WILL ACCOMPANY DELEGATION;
PRES' DECISION APPROVED BY NSC/SECSTATE.

SENATE ETHICS CMTE VOTES WAIVER FIRST PROVISION OF NEW CODE
FOR CODEL VISIT TO CHINA SINCE CHINESE PEOPLE'S INSTITUTE
OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS INSISTS ON PAYING ALL EXPENSES. SEN
BYRD NOTES INVITATION VIA WH (RUSSELL, WP).

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PRC FORMIN HAS DENIED HUA RELINQUISHED PREMIERSHIP, ACCORD-
ING TO PEKING CORRESPONDENT KYODO NEWS SERVICE (AP TOKYO).

CHINA SIGNALLED INTENTION MODIFY DOCTRINE OF SELF-RELIANCE
IN ORDER BUILD ECON WITH HELP OF FOREIGN TRADE. ANALYSTS
ALSO NOTE PRIORITY PRC PLACING ON GOOD ECON RELS W/JAPAN,
SAY PRC WANTS WEAN JAPAN AWAY FROM CLOSER TIES WITH SOVS,
AND HOPES INDUCE JAPANESE SIGN FRIENDSHIP TREATY WITH
"ANTI-HEGEMONY" CLAUSE. NEW TRADE AGREEMENT W/JAPAN SIGN
OF GROWTH PRC INTEREST IN FOREIGN TRADE BUT CHINESE
OFFICIALS CAUTION AGAINST EXCESSIVE EXPORTS THIS FE
GROWTH DUE TO ECON PROBLEMS. CHOU'S POLICIES/APPROACH

APPEAR ONCE AGAIN IN FAVOR (MORITZ, CSM).

NYT'S MIDDLETON WRITES THAT US/BRIT DIP SOURCES IN PEKING BELIEVE CHINESE HAVE OPTED FOR MILITARY MODERNIZATION AND SMALLER MORE FLEXIBLE FORCE WITH CENTRALIZED COMMAND/CONTROL. DIPS BELIEVE TENG IS HUA'S MOST INFLUENTIAL MILITARY ADVISER; MIL CHANGES WON'T BE IMMEDIATE OR DRASTIC. LEADERSHIP DECISION SUGGESTS WILLINGNESS ADOPT WHAT W REGARDS AS MORE REALISTIC APPROACH TO DEFENSE AGAINST SOVS, INCLUDING ABANDONMENT CONCEPT OF DROWNING SOV INVADERS IN HUMAN SEA. CITES ONE SOURCES' VIEW THAT ENORMOUS TASK WOULD DEFEAT ANY FORCES LESS DEDICATED/ENERGETIC THAN CHINESE. MOST DIFFICULT PROBLEM, ACCORDING US/BRIT SOURCES, IS REARMING WITH MODERN WEAPONS. MODERNIZATION PROGRAM PREDICTED REDUCE LARGE MIL BUREAUCRACY/TROOP LEVELS, INCREASE IMPORTS FROM JAPAN BUT PROBABLY NOT INVOLVE ARMS PURCHASES WHICH WOULD MAKE PRC DEPENDENT UPON W SOURCES FOR SUPPLY.

MORTIZ (CSM) NOTES PRC EFFORTS TO COPE WITH WORST DROUGHT SINCE '49 AND SALVAGE WINTER WHEAT CROP. SAYS ANALYSTS EXPECT FURTHER FOREIGN WHEAT PURCHASES. PRC'S TOTAL SHORTAGE CAN'T BE DETERMINED UNTIL NEXT FALL'S WHEAT CROP, BEING PLANTED NOW, IS HARVESTED. PROVINCIAL RADIO UNCLASSIFIED

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SAID NEXT MONTH CRUCIAL PERIOD FOR RESISTING DROUGHT AND SPRING FARMING SUCCESSES.

FOR FIRST TIME SINCE '49 PEKING SQUARE QUIET ON MAJOR FESTIVAL DAY. USUAL CROWDS, NO WREATHS, OR SIGN OF SPECIAL SECURITY MEASURES ONE YEAR AFTER TIEN AN MEN RIOTS (AFP IN NYT). WP/CSM/CHITRIB ALSO CARRY WIRE SERVICE REPORTS NOTING ANNIVERSARY OF RIOTS PASSED PEACEFULLY IN PEKING. CHITRIB REPORT MENTIONS TIGHT SECURITY IN PEKING.

SAME CHITRIB WIRE SERVICES REPORT DATELINED PEKING CITES SOURCES AS SAYING LAST MONTH HIGH-LEVEL MEETING APPROVED TENG'S RETURN AS "ACTING PREMIER"/MEMBER POLITBURO.

NYT CARRIES PHOTO CR-TYPE SCENE OF PRISONERS IN WUHAN DISPLAYED IN TRUCKS/BEARING PLACARDS "CRIMINAL HOODLUM."

CHINA DECLARES "PEOPLE'S WAR" AGAINST RATS, BED BUGS, FLIES AND MOSQUITOES (AP, NYDN).

HALTER MARINES SERVICES, WORLD'S LARGEST BUILDER OFFSHORE SUPPORT VESSELS, PLANS TEST PRC DIESEL ENGINE PURCHASED LAST YEAR. WILL INSTALL ENGINE ON TUG IN MOSS POINT, MISS SHIPYARD. HALTER ALSO NEGOTIATING WITH PRC ABOUT SUPPLY/CREW BOATS FOR OFFSHORE OIL PRODUCTION (JOC).

PRC UNDERLINES CONTINUED OPPOSITION TO SOV-BRAND COMMUNISM BY PUBLISHING ANTI-RUSSIAN POEM BY DEFMIN YEH CHING-YING. PUBLICATION OF POEM ALSO SEEN AS REAFFIRMING ANTI-REVISIONIST CREDENTIALS OF YEH AND OTHERS. "PD" ALSO

CARRIES COMMENTARY ON PEOM BY MAO'S SON, MAO AN-CHING (GRIFFITHS, RUETER PEKING).

10. GENERAL
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LABOR SECY MARSHALL SAYS WOULD RECOMMEND HIGHER TARIFFS/ QUOTAS ON SHOE IMPORTS IF ADMIN UNABLE NEGOTIATE VOLUNTARY REDUCTIONS W/FOREIGN SUPPLIERS, NOTABLY TAIWAN/SK (AP, NYT). PRES' DECISION SHUN HI TARIFFS/SEEK VOLUNTARY LIMITS ON SHOE IMPORTS EVOKES RELIEF IN EEC/BUOYS HOPES ADMIN'S TRADE POLICY WILL ESCHEW PROTECTIONIST MEASURES. EEC TURNS ON JAPANESE, DEMANDS SHARP CUTBACK IN STEEL/CARS/ ELECTRONIC GEAR SOLD IN EUR OR MASSIVE JAPANESE BUYING CAMPAIGN FROM EUR (DROZDIK, WP).

DOS/DOD SAY PUBLIC HAS "DISTORTED" VIEW OF RELATION DOLLAR VOLUME US ARMS SALES ABROAD TO ACTUAL WEAPONS. OF 8.8 BILLION DOLS' SALES IN 1976, ABOUT 3 BILLION GOING TO NATO/JAPAN/AUSTRALIA/NZ (MCKAY, JOC).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

11. CHINA

CHITRIB'S STARR SAYS CARTER WILL SOON HAVE TO TURN ATTENTION TO DIP RELS W/PRC. MORE TO BE GAINED FROM INITIATIVE HERE THAN WITH VN/CUBA. IF US RAISES/UPGRADES RELS TO AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL, CAN DISCUSS NUMBER OF IMPORTANT ISSUES. BUT MUST FACE GORDIAN KNOT, CALLED TAIWAN. STARR SINGLES OUT DOAK BARNETT'S RECENT PUBLICATION "CHINA POLICY", SAYS COULD SERVE AS PRIMER FOR CARTER ADMINISTRATION. NOTES PROBLEMS IN UPGRADING RELS IS AMBIVALENCE US OPINION/SECURITY PROBLEM. BARNETT SAYS US SHOULD CONSIDER CHANGING TIES ONLY IF EVIDENCE CHINA WILLING COMPROMISE AND START TALKS ABOUT ASIAN STABILITY BUT US SHOULD NOT ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR SETTling TAIWAN PROBLEM. BARNETT OPINES LITTLE LIKELIHOOD PEKING WOULD TRY TAKE TAIWAN MILITARILY NOW, BUT IF NEW MIL THREAT TO TAIWAN, WASHINGTON SHOULD MAKE CLEAR WOULD HAVE TO REASSESS POLICY. TWO CHINAS, ACCORDING TO BARNETT, UNCLASSIFIED

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NOT POSSIBLE NOW. CARTER MUST START PROCESS PROBABLY THIS

YR.

NYT'S BUTTERFIELD REPORTS THAT ROC HAS SECRETLY PURCHASED GABRIEL SURFACE-TO-SURFACE MISSILE FROM ISRAEL AS PART OF MODERNIZATION PROGRAM/PREPARATION DAY US RECOGNIZES PRC/BREAKS SECURITY TREATY--ACCORDING TO AMERICAN SOURCES. NOTES GROWING RESENTMENT ON PART SOME NATIONALISTS RE WHAT ROC FEELS ARE UNFAIR US RESTRAINTS ON WEAPONS BUILDUP. SOME US/NATIONALISTS OFFICERS CONCERNED ABOUT LACK CREDIBLE DEFENSE FOR TAIWAN IF US BREAKS TREATY. US DECLINED SELL TAIWAN HARPOON MISSILE, OPPOSED TO SELLING TAIWAN WEAPONS WITH OFFENSIVE CAPABILITY, SO TAIWAN BOUGHT GABRIEL MISSILE FROM ISRAEL, ISRAELI TECHNICIAN HELPING INSTALL MISSILE. NOTES US OFFICER'S VIEW THAT TAIWAN CAN'T BE IMPREGNABLE BUT WE SHOULD MAKE THEM STRONG ENOUGH SO PEKING THINKS LONG ABOUT INVASION. BUTTERFIELD NOTES FORD ADMIN PROGRAM TAIWAN GAIN "SELF-SUFFICIENCY" AND WEAPONS SALE PROGRAM. BUT TAIWAN'S MISSILE COVERAGE IS LIMITED, HAWK'S COVER ONLY 20 PCT OF ISLAND. NOTES COMMENT OF CHIEF OF GEN STAFF, ADM SUNG CHANG-CHIH, THAT "YOU SHOULD HELP YOU ALLIES." ROC HAS NO BOMBERS WHILE PRC HAS LARGE GROUND FORCE, 4000 PLANES, INCLUDING BOMBERS. ROC PLEDGED NOT TO DEVELOP NUKE WEAPONS UNDER WASHINGTON PRESSURE. BUTTERFIELD NOTES TAIWAN'S MAJOR MIL ADVANTAGE IS 100 MIL SEPARATION FROM MAINLAND BUT POSSIBLE WEAKNESSES ARE: FOR LARGELY POL REASONS 1/3 ARMY GARRISONED ON QUEMOY/MATSU; RELATIONS BETWEEN TAIWANESE AND MAINLANDERS. SAYS US MILITARY STRENGTH ON TAIWAN NOW AT 1,400 AND TO DROP TO 1,100 BY JUNE.

12. JAPAN

LAT'S JAMESON (4/3) ANALYZES REASONS WHY JAPAN SHUNS BIGGER POL ROLE. CITES "FIXED CONCEPT" IN JAPAN'S POL DIPLOMACY THAT MIL STRENGTH MUST BE SHUNNED IN UNCLASSIFIED

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ORDER AVOID REKINDLING WWII FEARS AMONG ASIAN NEIGHBORS. SAYS JAPAN ALSO HAS "INGRAINED RELUCTANCE" ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY AS INDIVIDUAL NATION, STEMMING FROM CULTURAL PHENOMENON THAT RESPONSIBILITY ALWAYS W/GROUP. NOTES POL OPPOSITION/MASS MEDIA "INNATELY HOSTILE" TO JAPAN'S ASSUMING ANY ROLE THEY VIEW AS "BURDEN-SHARING" W/US. CONCLUDES US HAS NOT MADE ROOM FOR JAPAN PLAY POL ROLE--CARTER'S ACTION ON NUKE FUEL REPROCESSING ISSUE/US TROOP PULLOUT SK DESIGNED ONLY LET FUKUDA KNOW WHAT US PLANS ARE. JAMESON STATES PRES HAS YET DEMONSTRATE WHETHER IT'S "MERELY JAPAN'S ACQUIESCENCE OR ITS IDEAS HE WANTS."

13' INDONESIA

SIMONS (WP) FINDS "PERSISTENT INGENUITY" HAVE ENABLED INDO'S REPORTERS/EDITORS "EKE OUT" GREATER DEGREE FREEDOM THAN ANY OTHER SEA NATL PRESS. QUOTES JAKARTA DAILY EDITOR'S BELIEF THAT SUHARTO REALIZES VALUE USING PRESS AS "SAFETY VALVE" LET OFF STEAM WHICH BUILDS UP UNDER REPRESSIVE CONTROLS. STATES JOURNALISTS CONSISTENTLY MANAGE SOFT CRITICISM, WHILE REMAINING WITHIN GOVT GUIDELINES. SPECULATES FON REPORTERS' HARD-HITTING APPROACH MAY BE ONE REASON WHY GOI "TIGHTENING THE SCREWS" ON THEM.

14. TRADE

COMMENTING ON CARTER'S REJECTION SHOE IMPORT RESTRICTIOS, PHINQ STATES PRES "PROPERLY RECOGNIZED" FREE TRADE MUST TRANSCEND "PAROCHIAL INTERESTS." TERMS INTL TRADE RESTRAINTS "QUICK FIXES" W/ONLY POTENTIAL FOR "TEMPORARY EUPHORIA." ADDS TRADE BARRIERS INFLATIONARY/ANTI-COMPETITIVE/SELF-DEFEATING.

15. HUMAN RTS

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SUN REVIEWS QUESTIONS HUMAN RTS/FON AID. NOTES PRES' STAND AS PRO-RTS, WANTING ADD FUNDS TO GUARANTEE LOANS FROM WB/OTHER LENDING INSTITUTIONS. POINTS OUT GENEROSITY CAN CONFLICT W/HUMAN RTS CONCERN; LAST YR CONGRESS REQUIRED US VOTE ON DEV BANK BOARD BE CAST VS AID TO COUNTRIES THAT CONSISTENTLY VIOLATE HUMAN RTS, THO BANKS MAINTAIN AID PROJECTS OUTLAST OBJECTIONABLE GOVTS. STATES ADMIN APPRECIATES THIS; CONGRESS MUST UNDERSTAND US WILL BE JUDGED ON WHAT IT DOES, NOT WHAT PRES SAYS.

ORBIS' BISSELL (PHINQ) SAYS CLEAR PRES NOT GOING GIVE UP ON HUMAN RTS ISSUE. BELIEVES OUGHT TO HAVE SEVERAL IMPORTANT QUESTIONS ANSWERED BEFORE GETS INTO CAMPAIGN TOO FAR: IN HOW MANY CULTURES/COUNTRIES DO PEOPLE UNDERSTAND RTS CARTER TRYING GIVE THEM; HOW MUCH IS US WILLING PAY FOR OTHERS' HUMAN RTS IN STRAINED ALLIANCES/WEAKENED TRADE TIES/INCREASED POL TENSIONS; SHOULD WE TRY DRAW DISTINCTION BETW COUNTRIES THAT HEED GROUP RTS AS OPPOSED TO INDIVIDUAL RTS? DISCUSSES 3RD QUESTION. CONCLUDES PRES HAS IDENTIFIED VALUABLE ISSUE BUT WILL NOT CHANGE WORLD'S ORIENTATION BEFORE END 1ST TERM. HOPES WILL FIND MEANS DEFINING HUMAN RTS THAT WILL KEEP AT LEAST HALF WORLD'S COUNTRIES WITH US ON CAMPAIGN.

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